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COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone) CONFIDENTIAL REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

25X10 TOPIC Cottbus Airfield.

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EVALUATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

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REFERENCES [REDACTED]

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REMARKS

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SOURCE [REDACTED]

- Intensive flying was observed over Cottbus between 3 a.m. and 5 p.m. on 13, 14, and 16 July 1951. Up to four twin jet aircraft, which approached from the northwest, assembled with twin-engine aircraft over Cottbus and headed toward Lieberose with them. The twin-engine planes had taken off from Cottbus. The detonation of bombs was heard from the direction of Lieberose. *

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- On the night of 14 July between 9 p.m. and 1 a.m., there was intensive night flying. Source heard aircraft taking off from the field. [REDACTED] the characteristic noises were those of jet aircraft. The searchlight near Kolkwitz radio installation was in operation.
- On 21 and 23 July, there was intensive flying of all twin-engine aircraft stationed at the field. No jet planes were seen however. Four separate groups, each of 7 planes flying in wedge formation, were seen in the air at the same time. They were aloft for about 30 to 45 minutes. During this time, the detonations of bombs were heard from the direction of Lieberose.

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* Comment. A bomber regiment equipped with PW-2s is stationed at Cottbus airfield. The two additional regiments assigned to the division are stationed in Finsterwalde. The twin-jet aircraft, which are of type 27, were previously stationed either at Jueterbog-Iltes Lager airfield or at Oranienburg airfield. No twin-jet aircraft have been seen at Cottbus upon completion of the runway. The bombs were probably released over the Teitz (N 52/1 48) bombing range.

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